

SENATE BILL No. 139

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: School accountability and teacher evaluations. Provides that the state board of education may not place a school or school corporation in a category or designation of school improvement based on the ISTEP program test scores for the 2014-2015 or the 2015-2016 school year. Provides that the ISTEP program test results from the ISTEP test taken in the spring of 2015 or 2016 may not be used as part of a certificated employee's performance evaluation conducted during the 2015-2016 or 2016-2017 school year.

Effective: July 1, 2015 (retroactive).

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January 6, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules & Legislative Procedure.



Second Regular Session 119th General Assembly (2016)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 (RETROACTIVE)] (a)
2 **The definitions in IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.**

3 **(b) Notwithstanding IC 20-31-8 and 511 IAC 6.2-6, and subject**
4 **to the requirements set forth in Indiana's flexibility waiver under**
5 **20 U.S.C. 7861, as in effect on January 1, 2015, the state board may**
6 **not place a school or school corporation in a category or**
7 **designation of school improvement for the 2014-2015 or 2015-2016**
8 **school year. The 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years may not be**
9 **included in any accountability timeline under IC 20-31-9. The**
10 **2013-2014 and 2016-2017 school years are considered sequential**
11 **school years for purposes of applying IC 20-31-9.**

12 **(c) Notwithstanding IC 20-28-11.5-4 or 511 IAC 10-6-4, ISTEP**
13 **program test scores from the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school**
14 **years, based on the ISTEP program test taken in the spring of 2015**
15 **or 2016, may not be used by a school corporation as part of an**
16 **annual performance plan developed under IC 20-28-11.5-4 to**
17 **evaluate certificated employees during the 2015-2016 or 2016-2017**
18 **school year. The weight of other measures used in the certificated**



1 **employee's annual performance evaluation must be**
2 **proportionately increased to replace measures based on the ISTEP**
3 **program test.**

4 **(d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2021.**

5 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

